

BENTON CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL
Benton, Illinois 62812
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
February 21, 2019

The Board of Education of the Benton Consolidated High School District #103 met in Regular Session on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 5:15 P.M. in the District Board Room. President, Mark Minor called the meeting to order.

Opening prayer was led by Mark Dyel. Kenny Irvin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Mark Minor, President; Robin LaBuwi, Vice-President; Lisa Price, Secretary; Mitch Bennett, Mark Dyel, Mark Franklin and Kenny Irvin.

Others present: Aaron Mattox, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Macie Cockrum, Student Council Representative; Deanna Hamilton and Jeremy Dawson, Community Members.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION

4.1 Appointment/Compensation/Discipline/Performance of Personnel

Executive Session – Mitch Bennett made the motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss the appointment, compensation, discipline, and performance of personnel. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

The Board; Aaron Mattox, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; and Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary entered into an Executive Session in the Executive Board Room at 5:19 P.M.

Open Session - The Board reconvened in an Open Session at 5:58 P.M. Lisa Price, Secretary called the roll. Answering present: Mitch Bennett – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Mark Franklin – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes, Mark Minor – yes, and Lisa Price – yes.

Others present: Aaron Mattox, Superintendent; Ron Giacone, Board Attorney; Ronda Suver, Board Recording Secretary; Lyndsey Moore, Faculty Member; Macie Cockrum, Student Council Representative; Jim Muir, County Circuit Clerk; Randal Crocker, County Board Chairman; Fred Kondritz, Mayor of Benton; and Deanna Hamilton, Community Member.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5.1 Approve Minutes: Regular Board Meeting Minutes, January 17, 2019

Executive Board Meeting Minutes, January 17, 2019

5.2 Approve Financial Report (January 2019)

5.3 Approve Payment of Bills (January 2019)

5.4 Review/Approve TMH Field Trip to St. Louis

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Mitch Bennett – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Mark Franklin – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes, Mark Minor – yes, and Lisa Price - yes. Motion Carried.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS

- Dr. Mattox updated the Board on the progress of upcoming facility projects.
- Dr. Mattox provided the Board with dates of upcoming programs and events.

7. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS

- Jeremy Dawson addressed the Board regarding his interest in a BCHS girls' golf team.
- Jim Muir (County Circuit Clerk) and Randal Crocker (Franklin County Board Chairman) spoke to the Board about the possibility of a new court house.

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1 Approval of Activity Account Expenditure

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Assignment/Employment of Personnel

a) Possible Employment/Assignment of Personnel

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve the Resolution Approving Contract for Employment for School Principal, Wade Thomas, as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this Resolution has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve the Resolution Approving Contract for Employment for Assistant Principal/Athletic Director/Transportation Director, Ryan Miller, as presented. Robin LaBuwi seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Robin LaBuwi – yes, Mark Minor – yes, Lisa Price – yes, Mitch Bennett – yes, Mark Dyel – yes, Mark Franklin – Abstain, and Kenny Irvin – yes. Motion carried. A copy of this Resolution has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve the Resolution Approving Contract of Employment for Curriculum/Technology Director, Heather Mitchell, as presented. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried. A copy of this Resolution has been attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Mark Franklin made a motion to employ Aaron Williams as an Agriculture Teacher for the 2019-20 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Lisa Price made a motion to approve Brian Carolo as a bus driver for the 2018-19 school year pending completion of all mandatory requirements. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Mark Franklin – yes, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – Abstain, Mark Minor – yes, Lisa Price – yes, Mitch Bennett – yes, and Mark Dyel – yes. Motion carried.

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve the maternity leave request from Amy Williams as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mitch Bennett made a motion to accept the resignation from Jeffrey Hayes as presented. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve Traci Trill's resignation as speech coach as presented. Mark Franklin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve Preston Trill's resignation as assistant speech coach as presented. Mark Franklin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve the following substitutes for the nurse's office as needed: Beverly Smith, Brittany Kubow, Miriam Ziehm, Billy Jo Cockrum and Chelsea Brookins. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

b) Possible Assignments of Extra-Curricular Positions

Mark Franklin made a motion to approve Joelle Morris as the JV Scholarbowl coach for the 2018-19 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve Aaron Webb as the assistant boys track coach for the 2018-19 school year. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mitch Bennett made a motion to approve Preston Reed for the spring 2019 musical/set construction position. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Mark Franklin made a motion to approve Bobby Blondi as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2019 season. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Robin LaBuwi made a motion to approve Larry Durham as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2019 season. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve Chris Head as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2019 season. Robin LaBuwi seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

Kenny Irvin made a motion to approve Seth Tate as a volunteer assistant baseball coach for the 2019 season. Mitch Bennett seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, members voted as follows: Mark Franklin – no, Kenny Irvin – yes, Robin LaBuwi – yes, Mark Minor – yes, Lisa Price – yes, Mitch Bennett – yes, and Mark Dyel – yes. Motion carried.

c) Review/Approve Possible Posting of Position Kenny Irvin made a motion to authorize the administration to post the position of summer student maintenance workers as needed for summer 2019. Robin LaBuwi seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

10. BOARD OF EDUCATION REMARKS

- Board Member Irvin recognized the efforts of the girls' basketball team for winning the Conference Championship.
- Board Member Irvin recognized the recent National Anthem performances of Benton High School students and alumni.
- Board Member Dyel asked that female student-athletes be surveyed this spring to see if they preferred the Rangerette or Ranger mascot.

11. ADJOURNMENT Mitch Bennett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 P.M. Kenny Irvin seconded the motion. Upon a roll call vote, all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD SECRETARY